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time. (See pages 640-41 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and do hereby sign LB 892, LB 893, LB 894, LB 895, LB 896, LB 897, LB 898, LB 899, LB 900, LB 901, LB 902, and LB 903, LB 904. Mr. Clerk, also while the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I will sign LB 900 with the emergency clause. We next move to LB 309. It's my understanding that Senator Bromm is here. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 309, a bill originally introduced by the Transportation Committee and signed by its members. (Read title.) Bill was introduced in January of last year, at that time was referred to the Transportation Committee for public hearing. Bill was advanced to General File. There are committee amendments pending by the Transportation Committee, Mr. President. (AM0767 is referred to on page 996 of the Legislative Journal, First Session.)

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Bromm, you are recognized to open on LB 309.

SENATOR BROMM: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Apologize for upsetting the agenda this morning a little bit. I had an unavoidable commitment and thought that we would not get to the bill quite as quickly as we did. And maybe it's okay, because I think it provided us an opportunity to visit a little bit and talk with Senator Chambers about some concerns. And I would say, as I open on the bill, that Counsel is working on some divisions of the bill that might help us and those that are interested focus on some of the major issues that are contained in the bill. Let me kind of make some general, overall statements, so the body knows what we're getting into here. For the last I would say approximately 18 months to 2 years there have been a number of interested people working on revisions to the statutes with respect to driving under the influence and with respect to driving under suspension. In the course of that work, there different interests, parties involved. compromises made, some give and take and I would say for the most part that LB 309 is a product of that work. A number of volunteers spent a good deal of time. Senator Kristensen and